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RAJYA SABHA

1999 till the end of the current Session. Shri Suryabhan Patil Vahadane has, accordingly, requested for grant of leave of absence from 3rd December, 1999 till the end of the Current Session.

Does the House agree that permission be granted to Shri Suryabhan Patil Vahadane for remaining absent from all meetings of the House during the current Session?

(No hon. Member dissented).

MR. CHAIRMAN: Permission to remain absent is granted. I have to inform Members that a letter has been received from Shri Korambayil Ahammed Haji, stating that he wishes to go to Saudi Arabia this month to perform Holi *Umrāh* and is unable to attend the House from 6th December, 1999 till the end of the current Session. Shri Korambayil Ahammed Haji has, accordingly, requested for grant of leave of absence from 6th December, 1999 till the end of the current Session.

Does the House agree that permission be granted to Shri Korambayil Ahammed Haji for remaining absent from all meetings of the House during the current Session?

(No hon. Member dissented)

MR. CHAIRMAN: Permission to remain absent is granted.

MOTION FOR ELECTION TO THE COMMITTEE ON OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): Sir, I move:

'That in pursuance of sub-section (2) of Section 4 of the Official Languages Act, 1963 (19 of 1963), this House do proceed to elect, in accordance with the system of proportional representation by means of single transferable vote, two Members from among the Members of the House to be the Members of the Committee on Official Language in the vacancies caused by the demise of Shri Ish Dutt Yadav and the retirement of Shrimati Chandra Kala Pandey from membership of Rajya Sabha." *(The question was put and the motion was adopted.)*